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PRESS ADVISORY * PRESS ADVISORY * PRESS ADVISORY **Emergency Demolition Wednesday Morning**

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(October 26, 2004- TROY)- An emergency demolition of 37 Stow Avenue will take place Wednesday morning at 9 a.m. The City of Troy closed Stow Avenue in South Troy to traffic Tuesday night due to a building being near collapse after years of neglect.

All traffic will be diverted off of Stow Avenue onto Morrison Avenue Wednesday due to the extremely narrow nature of the street and the need for crews to work to demolish the structure.

The building is a vacant, bank owned property, which was declared an emergency Tuesday afternoon by City Engineer Russ Reeves. It will be the second emergency demolition in Troy in as many weeks.

“Obviously shutting down an important road like Stow Avenue is an inconvenience to many people,” Tutunjian said. “Unfortunately this building has been allowed to deteriorate to the point where it presents a hazardous risk to the residents of Troy, and action must be taken immediately. We thank everyone ahead of time for their patience and understanding.”

All members of the media are encouraged to cover the demolition Wednesday morning.